

**HSCA Advisory Committee (HAC)
DNREC's New Castle Field Office
391 Lukens Drive
New Castle, Delaware
September 5, 2013*
Meeting Minutes**

Attendees:

DNREC

Neeraj Batta, Batta Environmental
Marianne Cignaglia, DeLEASI
Greg Crystall, Brightfields
Angelo Fatiga, Pennoni
Kathy Fox, EA Engineering
Stephanie Hansen, YCST
Guy Kramer, UD
Nora Lober, Pennoni
Mark Parker, Becker Morgan
Paul Sample, Technical Advisory Council
Doug Seavey, JCM Environmental
Bill Smith, Environmental Alliance
Chris Whallon, Duffield

Marjorie Crofts
Kate Durant
Greg DeCowsky
Melissa Leckie
Susan Love, Delaware Coastal Programs
Robert Newsome
Jim Poling
Tim Ratsep
Qazi Salahuddin
Lori Spagnolo
Paul Will
DOJ
Keith Brady

*Note information regarding the Sept. 5 meeting is available online at:
<http://www.awm.delaware.gov/BAC/Pages/BACMeetings.aspx>

Introductions and Opening Remarks – Marjorie Crofts welcomed members.

Approval of Sept. 6 Meeting Minutes – The meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

Sea Level Rise (SLR) Presentation – Susan Love gave a presentation discussing how important SLR is to citizens and its effects. Topics included:

- Planning for long-term effects/potential impacts
- DE SLR Viewer
<http://de.gov/slrmap>
- Goals of the SLR Assessments
- Vulnerability Assessment: Results
<http://de.gov/slrva>
- Adaptation Responses/DE Adaptation Plan
- Recommendation for adaptation in DE
<http://de.gov/slradaptplan>

Omnibus Bill – Marjorie Crofts provided a quick overview of the state omnibus bill and changes. Edits had to be made due to EO 36 comments. Marjorie opened the floor for questions/comments. Jim Poling, Keith Brady, and Chris Whallon provided their input and/or further explanation on the bill. Stephanie Henson and Bill Smith had questions concerning the language and voiced their concerns. Tim Ratsep requested that members review the omnibus bill and send any questions/comments by the end of September. He suggested having a Regulatory Subcommittee Meeting at the end of September to discuss all comments.

Updates for TMS: Lori Spagnolo discussed revisions to three (3) of their contracts. TMS recent hires: ES I, ES III, and a paralegal. They are also working on regulatory changes.

Brownfield Subcommittee Report Outs:

- **Brownfields Finance Subcommittee – Jim Poling (Chair)**

Stephanie Hansen, Dave Kane, Thomas Kovach, Mark Lannan, Melissa Leckie, Jim Poling, Tim Ratsep, Bill Smith and Chris Whallon.

Jim Poling stated that they have not had a meeting, but will schedule one by the end of September. Subtitle C funding starts again on October 1, 2013. Other items: note reimbursement packages show proof of payment/explanation of expenditures.

- **Regulatory Subcommittee (changes to Chapters 74, 74A, 79 & 91) – Alex Rittberg/Tim Ratsep (Contacts),** Todd Coomes, Clay Greer, Stephanie Hansen, Todd Keyser, Mark Lannan, Melissa Leckie, Lynn Poling, Jim Poling, Qazi Salahuddin, Doug Seavey, Bill Smith, Lori Spagnolo, Bill Stephens and Chris Whallon.

Lori Spagnolo discussed changes that were made to regulations 74 & 74A. Tim Ratsep added that the HSCA Regulation comments/changes went into effect, as required by the statute. He opened the HSCA Regulations for comments. Qazi Salahuddin further explained the definition section and other sections of the regulations.

- **Outreach and Education Subcommittee – Robert Newsome (Chair)**

Walt Bryan, Marianne Cinaglia, Greg DeCowsky, Kate Durant, Guy Kramer, Melissa Leckie, Nora Lober, Betsy Rogers, Bill Stephens, Pat Todd, Mike Vanderslice and Chris Whallon.

The subcommittee met on August 19th to find ways to expand public awareness by utilizing our website and social media effectively. Video conferencing different meetings may be an option, also. The ultimate goal is to reach as many citizens as possible to make them aware of pollution and contamination issues in their area, keep them informed and aware of potential programs that may be available to them. They are looking into using SLR information to help out with this. There have been proposals to change location and/or timeframe of meetings, on occasion, to suit other individuals in different areas. Also proposed attending different public events to help reach and inform the public.

- Keith Brady commented about the importance of extending awareness to the citizens.
- Chris Whallon gave suggestions about flyers being handed out at state parks, which are usually frequented by people already utilizing/interested in protecting natural resources.
- Stephanie Henson pointed out that using information signs (e.g., NCC signs) is a successful way to notify the public. Greg DeCowsky would like to see similar signs put up for restoration sites.

New Business: Tim & Robert – gave suggestions about doing a ½-day Brownfields Conference in Kent and/or Sussex County to help inform citizens of the State of Delaware. It was noted that further south, people are less aware about the Brownfields program. Everyone brainstormed about possible locations to hold the ½-day conference – discussion to be continued at future meetings.

Next Meeting – The next meeting will be held on December 5, 2013 at the Lukens office.